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TO DIRECTOR (105-82555)

FROM LEGAT MEXICO CITY

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-CUBA.

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RE MEXICO CITY LETTER OCTOBER 18 LAST.

EMBASSY DECEMBER 17 INSTANT FURNISHED COPY OF MEMORANDUM
FROM POLITICAL OFFICER CHARLES WILLIAM THOMAS CONCERNING
STATEMENTS MADE TO THOMAS BY ELENA GARRO DE PAZ APPARENTLY
AT SOCIAL FUNCTION SOMETIME PREVIOUSLY IN DECEMBER, 1965.
GARRO DE PAZ CLAIMED SHE MET LEE HARVEY OSWALD AT UNSPECIFIED
DATE IN SEPTEMBER, 1963, AT PARTY AT HOME OF RUBEN DURAN.
OSWALD AND TWO OTHER YOUNG AMERICANS SAID TO BE AT PARTY,
MOST GUESTS AT WHICH WERE COMMUNISTS OR PROCOMMUNISTS. ALSO
PRESENT WERE CUBAN CONSUL AZCUE GENERAL CLARK FLORES OF
MEXICAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE, SILVIA DURAN WHOM GARRO DE PAZ
CLAIMED SHE LATER LEARNED WAS OSWALD'S MISTRESS, EMILIO
CARBALLIDO, WRITER, NOW BELIEVED TO BE IN U.S., AND "LATIN (u)

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AMERICAN NEGRO MAN WITH RED HAIR." (u)

~~Y~~ GARRO DE PAZ CLAIMED THAT IN NOVEMBER, 1963, WHEN PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION BECAME KNOWN, SHE AND HER DAUGHTER, ELENITA, WENT TO CUBAN EMBASSY, MEXICO, AND ONCE ADMITTED THROUGH FRONT GATE SHOUTED ASSASSIN AND OTHER INSULTS. (u)

GARRO DE PAZ CLAIMED SHORTLY AFTERWARD ~~MANUEL~~ CARVILLO, DESCRIBED AS OFFICIAL OF SECRETARIAT OF GOVERNMENT, TOOK HER AND DAUGHTER TO SMALL OBSCURE HOTEL IN CENTER OF MEXICO CITY WHERE THEY WERE KEPT FOR EIGHT DAYS UNDER PRETEXT THEY WERE IN DANGER. SHE TOLD CARVILLO SHE WANTED TO GO AMERICAN EMBASSY AND EXPLAIN WHAT SHE KNEW OF OSWALD'S CONNECTIONS WITH MEXICAN COMMUNIST AND CUBANS BUT WAS TOLD AMERICAN EMBASSY FULL OF COMMUNIST SPIES. (u)

GARRO DE PAZ FURTHER CLAIMED OTHER PERSONS WHO HAD BEEN AT PARTY WITH OSWALD HAD BEEN TAKEN TO VERA CRUZ WHERE THEY WERE "PROTECTED" BY GOVERNOR LOPEZ ARIAS. RUBEN DURAN WAS SAID TO BE "PROTECTED" BY GENERAL CLARK FLORES AND IS NOW (u)

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DRIVING BIG CAR AND LOOKING VERY PROPEROUS. GARRO DE PAZ CLAIMED MANY COMMUNIST AND PROCOMMUNISTS BELIEVE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION WAS RESULT OF COMMUNIST PLOT ENGINEERED BY FIDEL CASTRO. SHE SAID RUBEN DURAN SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD HER HE IS REALLY NOT COMMUNIST AND THAT IT HAD BEEN A GREAT MISTAKE TO KILL KENNEDY. (u)

GARRO DE PAZ IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] AS LEFTIST [REDACTED] WRITER SEPARATED FROM HUSBAND WHO IS NOW MEXICAN AMBASSADOR TO INDIA. EMBASSY PERSONNEL ACQUAINTED WITH HER DESCRIBE HER AS UNSTABLE. b6 b7C
 Excluded Info for Agency 7-28-63
 CIA

MEXICO CITY FILES CONTAIN NO REFERENCE TO MANUEL CARVILLO OR GARRO DE PAZ IN CONNECTION WITH OSWALD CASE. FILE BEING REVIEWED, HOWEVER, FOR FACTS TO EVALUATE HER ALLEGATIONS.

[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 IN VIEW OF GARRO DE PAZ STATED RELUCTANCE TO DISCUSS MATTER AND STATEMENT SHE MUST BE PROTECTED AS SOURCE OF INFORMATION, ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR POLITICAL OFFICER (u)

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THOMAS TO REINTERVIEW HER FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING DATE OF ALLEGED PARTY AT HOME OF RUBEN DURAN, IDENTITIES OF OTHER GUESTS, AND LOCATION OF SMALL HOTEL WHERE SHE AND DAUGHTER WERE TAKEN BY MANUEL CARVILLO, SO THAT INVESTIGATION CAN BE CONDUCTED TO VERIFY OR DISPROVE HER STORY. (u)

ABOVE FOR INFORMATION AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

NATHAN L. FERRIS

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